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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR:	<b>DISK ARRAY SYSTEM</b>		

Enclosed are:

16 sheets of  formal  informal drawings.  
 Transmittal of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-394922 to claim the priority date of November 26, 2003.  
 An Unexecuted Declaration.  
 An Information Disclosure Statement  
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